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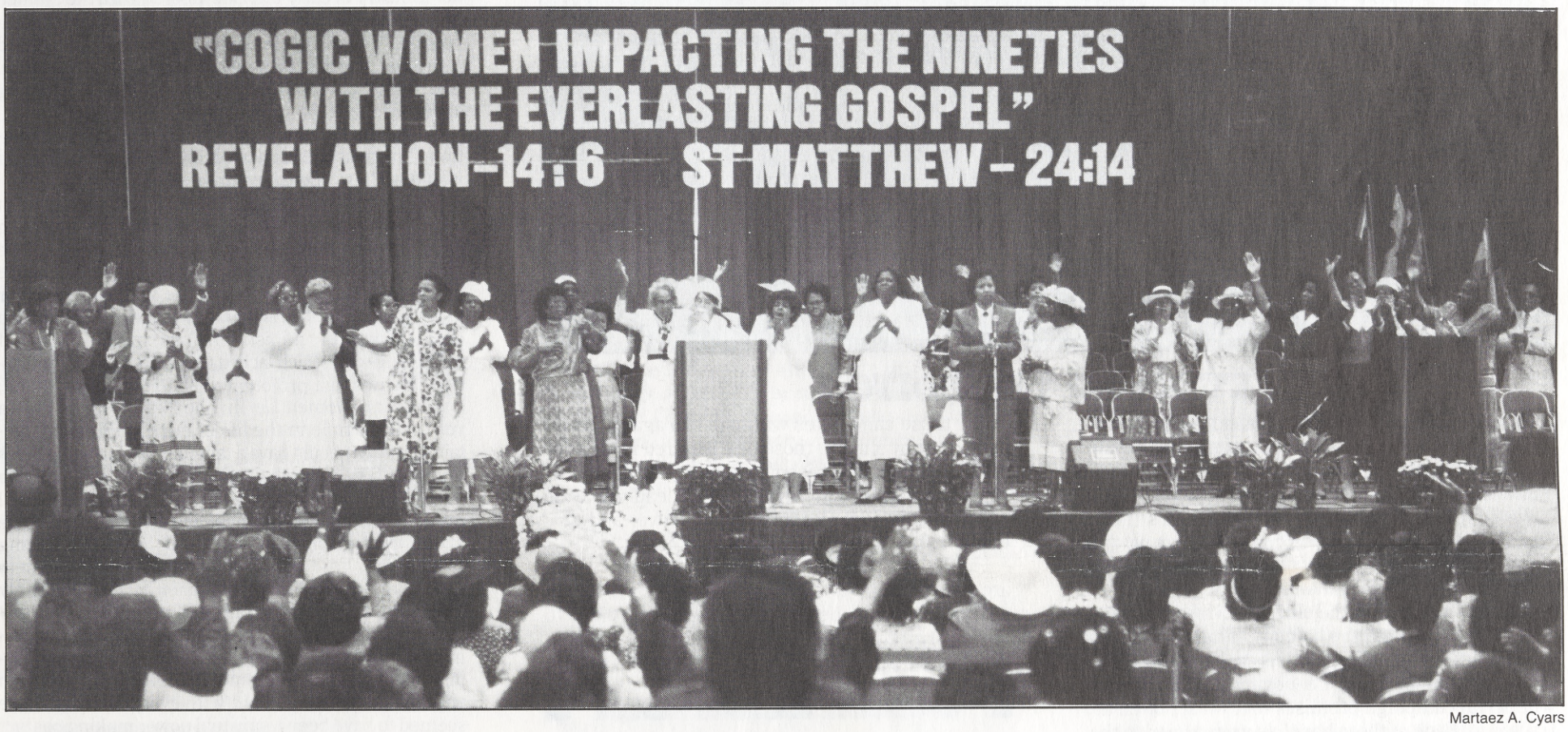
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QUEEN CITY HOSTS COGIC WOMEN



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May 29 through June 3, 1990, Cincinnati, Ohio, often referred to as the Queen City, received the 'queens' of the Church Of God In Christ. This year the Queen City hosted the 40th Annual Women's International Convention of the Church Of God In Christ. Dr. Mattie McGlothen welcomed hundreds of ladies from around the world. Before the week was over the convention had established an attendance record. Theme for this conference "COGIC Women Impacting The Nineties With The Everlasting Gospel" was lifted up daily by inspired speakers. Supervisor Martha C. Walker, Ph.D., reflected, "We must meet the challenge, shoulder our responsibilities, witness and spread the everlasting Word of God everywhere." Her words proved prophetic as our inspired women demonstrated to Cincinnati the saving witness of Christ.

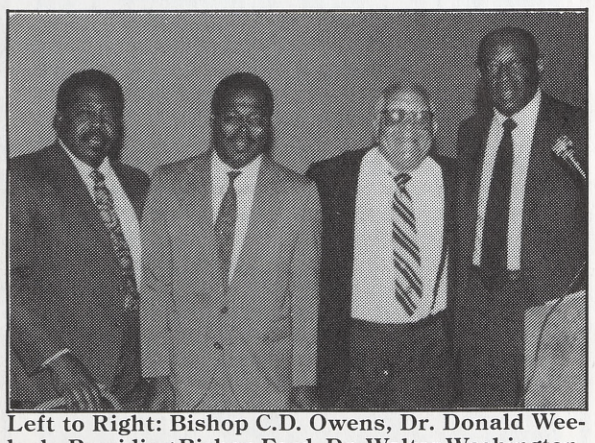
The area bishops and supervisors labored incessantly to help provide the needed facilities and services to the saints. Bishop F.E. Perry, Ohio Southern, Bishop Warren Miller, Ohio Central, Bishop Robert Chapman, Ohio Northeast, and Bishop William James, Ohio North blended influence and resources to support the ladies of the Church. Bishop James led the rally to lift the finance and the other bishops supported his call for greater jurisdictional support. Mother McGlothen acknowledged their warmth and commitment. The area supervisors stood firmly with their respective bishops. Along with the bishops were supervisors, Maryellen Meredith, Ellen Pettigrew, Sarah Thompson and Hannah Bell. Certainly each supervisor made her Ohio Jurisdiction proud. Other area jurisdictional prelates, and supervisors who lent their support were Bishop S.Y. Burnett and Supervisor Geneva Fulton; Bishop M.J. Sykes and Supervisor Mary Bell; Bishop Milton Hall and Supervisor Beulah Hatchett; Bishop John Dupree and Supervisor Beatrice Collins; and Bishop Oscar Freeman and Supervisor Ida M. Sanders.

What happened at the Convention? The National Steering Committee has always provided the best! Only the best seminars and training sessions were conducted. The delegates were given talented teachers and innovative curriculums. Still, the ladies started every morning with morning prayer and praise. Bishop Ithiel Clemmons and team were spiritually uplifting. An added attraction was the first sermon delivered by newly elected Presiding Bishop Ford. Bishop Ford spoke before an overflow crowd in the Convention Center. The women were pictures of loveliness and studiously attended the prayers, seminars and general worship service in great numbers.

Daily, the saints gathered for a dose of inspiration. Only the women of the Church could think of a mechanism to deliver the highest praise: an Inspirational Team. Many Evangelists from around the country rallied the convention for Jesus. There were great shouts and praises going forth daily. Some of the messages delivered were of the most profound and stirring quality. Supervisor Freddie J. Bell, inveterate worker and saint, spoke to a packed convention center. She was introduced as "a woman who never projects herself, and a true servant of God." As she stood before the saints, Mother Bell lauded the character and leadership of Mother McGlothen. Mother Bell's thought was quite appropriate, "Gospel is Good News for Bad Times." In developing the thought, Mother Bell thoroughly explained these times of disorientation and destruction. In her heart, she affirmed the brightest and best answer for these days is the gospel.

Our Saintly Mother, International Supervisor of Women, Dr. Mattie McGlothen was scheduled to speak before the convention. Her tenure as International Supervisor has been unequalled. Lauded by bishops and supervisors both, as a woman of wisdom, godly quality and tremendous leadership

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Left to Right: Bishop C.D. Owens, Dr. Donald Weelock, Presiding Bishop Ford, Dr. Walter Washington.

SAINTS TO REOPEN 1991?

Presiding Bishop Louis Henry Ford announced at a joint gathering of bishops, supervisors, and selected individuals that Saints Academy is scheduled for reopening. The proposed reopening is part and parcel of the Bishop's roots oriented program. Presiding Bishop Ford is committed to the Church Of God In Christ, both her past and future, therefore, the legacy which is Saints Academy remains close to his heart. Bishop views the Saints Campus as a matter of unfinished business and unused potential.

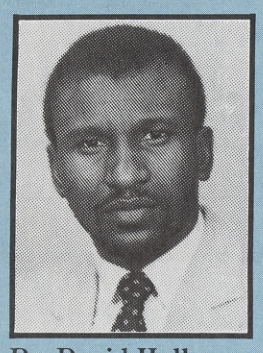
The Lexington Property once was home to the Saints Junior College which had a long standing history of accomplishment. The presiding officer was a graduate of Saints and he desires that it function again, educating, training and providing hope for future generations. His innovative program targets the school as a second chance institution for less fortunate and troubled youths. Dr. Donald Wheelock made it clear however, the second school, in principle would serve a well defined group. "This school will not be for convicted felons, drug abusers and runaways; rather for troubled youth who need and are willing to mature spiritually and educationally in a different setting", said the school's president.

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THE WHOLE TRUTH

Editorial

By Dr. David Hall



Dr. David Hall

On June 1, 1990, during the Saints Center Board Meeting, a resolution was read before the general delegation of the Women's International Convention. That resolution could prove to be a major historical item. Presiding Bishop Louis Henry Ford is a man burning with a mission to build, restore, or create a more vital Church. Within his heart is the energy and drive to complete certain programs which characterize continuity with the past and project advancement for the future. He is a man who personally transcends the history of the church, in that he personally served under Bishop C.H. Mason, the founder and Bishop J.O. Patterson, Sr., Mason's successor. Bishop Ford has issued the challenge to the saints for the immediate reopening of Saints Academy. One major obstacle stands in the way of that goal and that is the proposed Multi-service Building.

Yes, his emphases are somewhat different from our late and venerated presiding officer, Bishop J.O. Patterson, Sr., but his goals have solid merit. The Saints Center Board which worked diligently in behalf of Bishop Patterson did a magnanimous, tactful and noteworthy gesture, when they voted to build the multi-purpose building. It is Bishop's dream to build upon a hill in the center of the Saint's campus. The Saints Center resolution states, "Now, therefore, be it resolved that we pledge our full support to the leadership of the Church. Be it further resolved that we thereby pledge the funds to construct the J.O. and Deborah Mason Patterson Multi-Purpose Dining Hall in Lexington, Mississippi."

The pledge demonstrates the continuity and principled commitment of the collective membership of the Saints Center Board. The Saints Center money was initially collected to perpetrate educational, cultural, and administrative advancement of our spirit filled Church. There were some who harbored feelings that the Saints Center Board meant the Church had two fiscal operations, but how wrong they were! I salute the members and officers of the Saint Center Board for their insight and recognition of our current leader's vision.

The Church Of God In Christ is one Church under strong and new leadership, and we, as an organization, have proven our resilience and willingness to work together. When Bishop Ford reopens the Saints Academy in Lexington, Mississippi, there will be a new sparkle in the jewel of the campus. That new building will be a sign of his leadership and the resolve of others to follow leadership with principle.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

It is just a few weeks into Bishop Louis Henry Ford's administration. The campaigning is finished and all electioneering has ended for the moment. America' sWashington-based power structure could have benefited from watching our nation's finest (the Church Of God In Christ) conduct a decent, and orderly campaign and election. You are all to be commended for your contribution.

On the night before the election, Mason Temple was packed through the balcony. There wasn't an empty seat in the auditorium. As each candidate approached the podium, he began to make those wonderful campaign promises that we are often attracted to. Each of these hopefuls were armed to the teeth with facts that explained in great detail, the failures of the past and present administrations. It was very encouraging to know that each of these capable men had also discovered ways in which we could correct the incorrect. To God be the glory!

What remains unclear is what each of these eloquent candidates intends to do with all of this ammunition between elections. It is not necessary to repeat what each one said that glorious night. God heard them, 4,000 COGIC's heard them, and they know what they promised to do for the betterment of the brotherhood. It is hopeful that their service would not to be withheld from this "Grand Old Church Of God In Christ," because these men were not elected Presiding Bishop. Our Church is too big and none of these men appeared to be that small. Bishop Ford, God's choice, could use your help, as could we, the Church Of God In Christ.

For those candidates who will run again, get an early start by sharing those God inspired ideas now! The next Presiding Bishop will have that much less to do. If each plans to run again, that leader may be one of them. So they should think it over and give God another opportunity to Bless them.

Finally, it's been a closely guarded secret, but we are really talking about God's Church and ways in which we can be of maximum service to Him. . . through His Church.

Brother Julian Smith
San Diego, California

THE TEMPTATION AND FALL OF MEN

Genesis 3: 1-7

"Now the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field which the Lord God had made; and he said unto the woman, Yea hath God said ye shall not eat of every tree of the Garden; and the woman said unto the Serpent, we may eat of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said ye shall not eat of it neither touch it lest ye die; and the Serpent said unto the woman, ye shall not surely die for God doth know in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened and ye shall be as Gods knowing good and evil." It was so easy for the Serpent to get Eve to disobey God's word and it is just that easy today to be deceived by Satan. What he offers might

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skills, she was received by the Convention with a sincere loving applause.

Mother stated she was happy to experience another Women's Convention. She remembered Dr. Mallory's expression, "the women have come a long way", and was happy the Lord has always blessed women of the Church Of God In Christ. She happily reported that Cincinnati's Convention yielded the largest attendance figures to date. Also, the Cincinnati Convention can boast of the largest Red Card Delegation to record. In fact, so many ladies attended, that Cincinnati's Mayor had to intervene and encourage city business interest to release more convention rated rooms and compliments. "This Convention", said Mother McGlothen, "supports what Bishop C.H. Mason said, 'You will never find a place to hold the people of God'." Mother thanked the area bishops for their support and expressed her love and appreciation for all the dedicated workers. Mother was not strong enough to bring the message, so she asked Mother R.T. Jones to stand in her stead. Mother Jones is the widow of the late Bishop R.T. Jones. Mother Jones is a seasoned spiritual woman who began her ministry in early life. She labored with the Sainted Mother Elizabeth Dabney. She proclaimed to the Convention, "I have a reason for going" and then delivered a thrilling powerful message on the Convention theme. She made a dynamic impact upon her listening audience.

Friday night the saints all gathered with anticipation. This was the night Presiding Bishop L.H. Ford would address the Convention.

For many saints it was their first experience with the newly elected Presiding Bishop. Bishop is a walking history lesson and his message detailed much of the struggle he personally encountered over the years. He likened his struggle to that of the women who labor incessantly for Christ and Church. The Bishop characterized the ministry of some women as that of a suffering way; which lacked true respect and appreciation. He raised a profound question when he asked, "What Can Women Do In The Nineties?" This is a very critical time in the life of our organization, certainly women should have a tangible role in the Church's ministry. The Church Of God In Christ has been an institution built by capable pastor and wife ministerial teams, therefore, women have a long established place in the church. Women have a definite role, and a leading role. Bishop Ford admonished the COGIC women to never forget the call to which women have so effectively plied: prayer and action oriented programs. He mentioned the story about the standing women, who being called of God, simply would stand and pray during the message. He commented"every now and then she would shake." He said with every moment there seemed to have been a spiritual power making contact with him. Bishop exhorted the ladies to acknowledge the duties and drop their buckets where they stand.

Finally, the Bishop preached himself happy. The power and glory of the Lord shadowed him and the entire convention became a unified body. It was indeed glorious. Cincinnati's Women International Convention was memorable and should go down as a spiritual marvel. The next convention scheduled for Richmond, Virginia. Hopefully, the State that produced the first black governor will receive the Saints with warmth.

Bishop Quick speaks at Harmony Rally

Bishop Norman N. Quick, president of the COGIC Publishing Board, spoke at a giant harmony rally in New York City, which was covered by all of the city's mass media.

On Tuesday, May 22nd, Mayor David N. Dinkins, Governor Mario Cuomo, Cardinal John O'Connor and Bishop Quick, who also serves as the executive board president of the Council of Churches of the City of New York, joined labor union leaders and other religious leaders at the Cathedral of St. John The Divine. More than 5,000 persons heard Bishop Quick say, "New York is not a divided city, all of us, white, black, brown, yellow, Christian and Jews are brothers and sisters under the Fatherhood of God, we are in here together.

Race relationships in New York City have been strained due to incidents of violence. The death of a black youth by a gang of white thugs, and insults by Korean grocers toward a black woman, have caused for the city to join in a Day of Solidarity Against Bigotry on June 4. He asked drivers to use their headlights all day, and all New Yorkers to wear blue ribbons to signal their solidarity with each other against bigotry.

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SAINTS CENTER INCORPORATED OF THE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

SAINTS CENTER RESOLUTION
June 1, 1990



WHEREAS:

The Lord has given us the Bishop Louis Henry Ford to serve as Presiding Bishop and titular head of the Church Of God In Christ, whose leadership is in the spirit and vision of the founder of our Church, the late and reverend Bishop Charles Harrison Mason; and

WHEREAS:

He, as close associate and beloved friend of the late Presiding Bishop J.O. Patterson, Sr., who in the same spirit and vision set into operation programs to effect the perpetuation of the vision of the Church; and

WHEREAS:

The Saints Center Board of Directors which he (Bishop Louis Henry Ford) is an intricate part was set into existence to foster educational and cultural programs to enrich our heritage and to bring others under our holiness influence, thus keeping us in remembrance of the great mission to which we are called; and,

WHEREAS:

Our Presiding Bishop Louis Henry Ford has made a call to the Church to rally behind and give support to programs and projects to bring into being the restoration of our Lexington properties, and thereby providing the means by which the children or our Church and nation maybe given a "second chance"; and,

WHEREAS:

The Saints Center Board of Directors being a direct arm to give support to the Church Of God In Christ;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That we pledge our full support to the leadership of the Church.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That we hereby pledge the funds to construct the J.O. and Deborah Mason Patterson Multi-purpose Dining Hall in Lexington, Mississippi.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED:

That the Saints Center Board of Directors call upon brothers and sisters throughout the length and breadth of the Brotherhood to support this vision.

Done this 1st day of June 1990, during the 40th Women's International Convention, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Bishop Roy L.H. Winbush, President/Board Chairman
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Bishop E. Harris Moore, Chairman

JAMES OGLETHORPE PATTERSON

Fine Arts Appreciation Scholarship

About the Scholarship

The James Oglethorpe Patterson Fine Arts Appreciation Scholarship activities are held annually in Memphis, Tennessee, during the November Convocation. The preliminary activity for this competitive scholarship convenes Friday morning of the Convocation at 10:00 a.m., in the Henley Chapel of the Pentecostal Temple Institutional Church Of God In Christ, Linden Avenue at Danny Thomas Boulevard, Bishop J.O. Patterson, Jr., Pastor.

Finalists are selected among the applicants, based on their skills and abilities in the arts, by a panel of judges. The finalists are asked to exhibit their talent at the C.H. Mason Foundation Benefit Dinner which will be held annually on the Saturday of the November Convocation at 4:00 p.m., at a designated place in Memphis. Scholarships will be awarded to the finalists according to their excellence in performance and achievement.

Objectives

1. To cultivate broader acceptance and deeper appreciation for Fine Arts talent in the Church
2. To stimulate and enhance interest in careers and advanced studies in Fine Arts
3. To motivate and encourage greater self-expression among our youth who possess Fine Arts talent
4. To emphasize the applicability of Fine Arts to effective ministries in Church
5. To offer financial assistance to promising youth who are seeking further develop their skills in Fine Arts and who correlate those skills and abilities with spiritual growth and development

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1. Any member of the Church Of God In Christ between the ages of sixteen and twenty-six (16-26)
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3. Each applicant should be briefly interviewed by one of the judges at the preliminary activity.
4. Each performing artist should prepare two different memorized selections.
5. If the category is vocal or instrumental, classical musicis preferred.
6. Each visual artist should prepare to exhibit at least two or three original art pieces or art works.
7. Each applicant's presentation should not be longer than five minutes.

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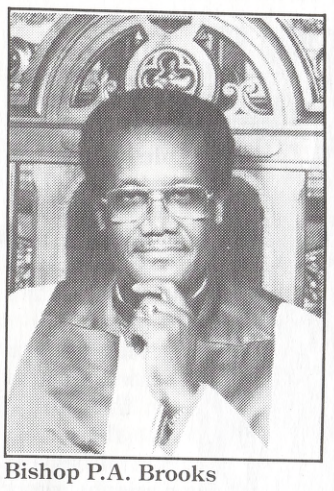
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UNDERSTANDING BIBLE DOCTRINE IN ITS 5th PRINTING



Bishop P.A. Brooks

How did the Church Of God In Christ get its name? How is sanctification related to salvation? How can one know that God exists if no one has seen Him? What role did the Holy Ghost play in the life of Christ? What will the "great white throne judgement" be like? The answers to these questions and many others are detailed in **Understanding Bible Doctrine As Taught In The Church Of God In Christ,** authored by Bishop P. A. Brooks, prelate of the Northeast Jurisdiction of the Church Of God In Christ in the State of Michigan, and Rev. Charles Hawthorne.

Understanding Bible Doctrine As Taught In The Church Of God In Christ, (already in its fourth printing), was originally intended for use as a study catechism for ministerial candidates for ordination. While this study catechism remains an excellent training tool for ordination candidates; its appeal surpasses the original intended audience to encompass the laity, whose desire is to obtain a firm foundation of what they believe and why, as they study to show themselves approved unto God.

Enmeshing themselves in this study the candidate for ordination or the layman will become equipped with the knowledge to rightly divide the word of truth, know how to rightly divide the word of truth, know how to give sound and sober answers to questions posed to him or her, and know without reservation their position and identity in Christ.

Obtaining an "understanding" of bible doctrine as taught in the Church Of God In Christ is accomplished as the student reads the questions posed and the corresponding answers provided in the textbook section of the course book. The understanding is further facilitated as the student personally responds to the questions in the workbook section.

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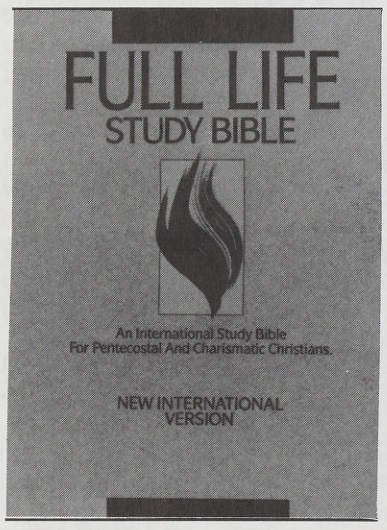
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The study Bible's notes, written especially for the Pentecostal and Charismatic reader, are located on the same page as the reference text. In addition to the notes, 42 articles on subjects crucial to Pentecostal/Charismatic-theology are located near pertinent verses.

Theme finders™ are symbols in the Bible text that emphasize six themes important to the Pentecostal tradition: being filled with the Holy Spirit, gifts of the Holy Spirit, fruit of the Holy Spirit, healing, witnessing and faith that moves mountains. Introductions to each book give historical and author perspectives, the book's purpose and special characteristics. Other features include a reading plan, space for personal notes, a concordance, a subject index, and 16 pages of color maps.

"We're releasing the New Testament editions of this study Bible now because of the immediate need, and will release an edition with both Old and New Testaments in two years," said Mrs. Jeanette Taylor, Zondervan Bible Publishers' General Manager.

The editorial review board assisting Donald Stamps consisted of J. Wesley Adams, Independent Pentecostal; Stanley Horton and William Menzies of The U.S. Assemblies of God; Roger Stronstad, The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada; Richard Waters, The Pentecostal Holiness Church; Bishop Roy L.H. Winbush, The Church Of God In Christ; Robert Shank, The Independent Community Church; and French Arrington of The Church of God, Cleveland TN.

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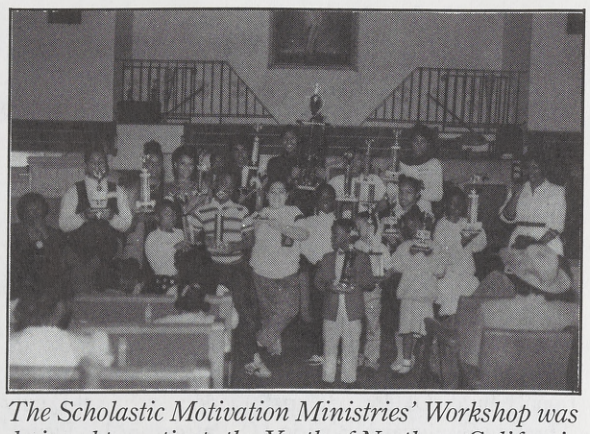
MISSIONARY RETURNS



Greetings in Jesus' name.
I've been absent from you five years.
Yet I'm with you in spirit.
As Job said, "Though He slay me,
Yet I will trust Him."

I will trust Him for whatsoever betide.
I will trust Him for he hath never denied.
To Jesus I will ever cling,
He'll meet my every need
And place me on the hallelujah side.

Yours for Missions,
Missionary Beatrice S. Lott



The Scholastic Motivation Ministries' Workshop was designed to motivate the Youth of Northern California to excel in the following areas: Spelling Bee, Math Competition, Drama Workshop, Miss UNAC Pagenant, Youth Talent Workshop, Computer Workshop, Oratorical Competition, and Bible Bowl Competition, Eighteen trophies were awarded to young people who excelled in the before-mentioned areas.



Several prominent Church Of God In Christ VIP's were on hand to share in the Scholasticly Motivating event: (From Left to Right) Dr. Otis Massey, Pennsylvania; Bishop G.R. Ross, California; Bishop F.E. Perry, Ohio, Bishop Neaul Haynes, Texas; and Bishop L.B. Johnson, California. (Nt Shown) Bishop B.R. Stewart, California; Mrs. Mary Benjamin, New York; and Elder David Winstead, Texas.

The Church Of God In Christ, Inc. through the training provided by the UNAC-5 Scholastic Motivation Ministries, seeks to enhance the scholastic and academic development of its young people.

The goals of the UNAC-5 Scholastic Motivation Ministries are to provide: a spiritual environment conducive to academic enhancement and enrichment; instructional training sessions with practical applications; and a formal platform of recognition for various demonstrations of talents and abilities. The United Auxiliaries' Convention provides a unique arena where UNAC-5 Scholastic Motivation Ministries can present trophies, certificates, and monetary awards to deserving young people who exceed in their God-given talents and abilities.

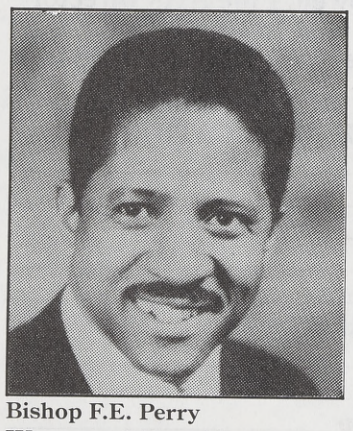
Reflecting upon the basic philosophy and concept behind the UNAC-5 Scholastic Motivation Ministries' directives, a Northern California inter-jurisdictional fellowship of educators, jurisdictional coordinators, and concerned parents formulated a Northern California Scholastic Motivation Ministries Workshop. After much discussion and hard work the date, time, and place were set. On Saturday, May 19, 1990 the long awaited Workshop was held at Good Samaritan Cathedral COGIC.

On that historic day, the youth of the Combined Jurisdictions of Northern California: California First, Bishop B.R. Stewart; California Northwest, Bishop W.W. Hamilton; California North Central, Bishop G.R. Ross; California Valley, Bishop W.S. Wilson; California North Central, Bishop W.S. Hamilton; California Evangel, Bishop E.E. Cleveland, Sr.; and California Northeast, Bishop L.B. Johnson, gathered together at about 9:30 a.m. for registration and orientation. As the youth were directed to their various workshops and competitions, there was a tingle of excitement in the air; we knew something special was about to happen but we didn't know exactly what! Soon the Workshop leaders, coordinators, judges, and monitors had all retired to their classrooms for the activities of the day. The Spelling Bee was buzzing along as well as the Computer Workshop followed by the Math Competition. The comradery and fellowship was warming up in the Drama Workshop, the Bible Bowl competition, and the Oratorical competition. The Youth Talent workshop was progressing quite well as the Miss UNAC Pageant participants sharpened their skills in the social graces. All Scholastic Motivation Ministries units were in full swing.

Although the Workshop participants were from different Jurisdictions, once the competitions and workshops began, jurisdictional affiliation played no part in the winner's selection process. All the young people exemplified excellent conduct and there were no disciplinary problems of any kind. The enthusiasm of all the young people that participated was unparalleled in any single event that one could bring to mind. The vitality with which the youth displayed their talents was so breathtaking that judges and on-lookers alike were overwhelmed and deeply moved. It was clear from this event that was we motivate our youth to push scholastic excellence and keep Jesus Christ as the center of their lives, our youth will enjoy a brighter future and the Church Of God In Christ will be blessed with the professional expertise that will be beneficial to all.

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ATTENTION: UNAC-5 CONVENTIONERS



Bishop F.E. Perry

I would like to take this means and opportunity to greet and welcome you to the United Auxiliaries Convention "1990."

WE are very rapidly approaching July 2, the first day of this great convention which will be convening in San Francisco, California. We are waiting with great anticipation the greatest UNAC-5 ever. With your cooperation and prayers, we will certainly accomplish this.

During our last convention in Philadelphia there were some occurances that required us to take precautionary measures this year, to prevent reoccurances of the same negative incidents. Accordingly, in preparation for our forth-coming convention, please take note of the following requests:

1. I have asked the California Steering Committee to furnish us with a security force of 100 persons to keep order in hotels, lobbies, elevators and all public gathering places.

2. All delegates who attend the convention should be registered. All delegates are required to furnish a complete rooming list. Under no circumstances will hotels tolerate more people staying in a room than have registered for that room. Absolutely four persons maximum. (no stacking.)

3. Absolutely no cooking on hot plates in the room.

4. Singing groups and choirs who wish to participate should register with the Music Departm,ent.

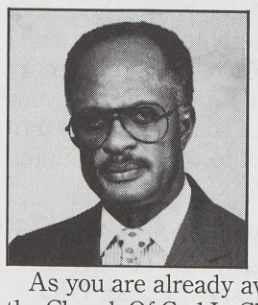
5. Group leaders and parents are required to keep constant control of children and young people that they bring to the convention and will be held responsible for their conduct.

6. Delegates who attend the convention are expected to participate to the fullest in all sessions of the convention. This provides for both the success of our convention and the well being of the delegates.

7. Please remember, we are a Holiness Group and our dress conduct should reflect that principle.

8. UNAC-5 is about training, which is necessary and needed throughout the Church; so let's get enough sleep so we can meet in early morning prayer and be alert for the classes.

FROM THE OFFICE OF: THE NATIONAL SOUVENIR JOURNAL
CHURCHES OF GOD IN CHRIST INTERNATIONAL
MEMPHIS TENNESSEE
ATTENTION: MEMBERS OF THE COGIC FAMILY



Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ from the National Souvenir Journal.

As you are already aware, a "Souvenir Journal" of the Church Of God In Christ, International is published as a supplement to the Annual national Hly Convocation which convenes in Memphis, Tennessee. Each year you have been contributing articles describing advancements made in your local, district and state settings.

Because of your contributions, the previous editions

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UNAC-5
San Francisco, Calif.
July 2-7, 1990
A Family Convention For The Entire Church

- UNAC Morning Prayer
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- Midday Worship
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- UNAC Banquet & Tours
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- Youths Church
- Song Is Born

HOTEL RATES

Marriott Hotel (Headquarters)

SINGLE (1 Person)	DOUBLE (2 Persons)	TRIPLE (3 Persons)	QUAD (4 Persons)	Check-In
$84.00	$84.00	$108.00	$108.00	3 PM

Le Meridien Hotel

$80.00	$80.00	$110.00	$140.00	3 PM

Westin St. Francis Hotel

$80.00	$80.00	$110.00	$110.00	3 PM

- Rates Quoted Above—11% tax **NOT** included in rates.
- *First-Night Deposit Required*—Must be submitted to hotel after receiving confirmation. Confirmation will be received **FROM HOTEL.** Submit first-night deposit directly to hotel; **DO NOT SEND FIRST-NIGHT DEPOSIT TO UNAC. Registration Fee ONLY should be sent to UNAC.**
- Room Assignments—First-come, first-served basis. Preference for Headquarters will be given to persons attending convention entire week.

HOUSING FORM

(Registration Fee **MUST** accompany housing form—see back for registration details.)

Mailing Address: UNAC Housing, P.O. Box 1955, Cleveland, Ohio 44106

Hotel Preference: 1st _____

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LOCAL COUPLE QUIETLY EARNS RECOGNITION



The Rev. Claude and Stella Mason Parson are proof that the best way to gain recognition may be to avoid it. Just do your best, live a good life, help out other people whenever you can and don't think about what you might receive in return. And someday, when you least expect it, the people who've noticed you along the way will see what you have done and offer their thanks. For the Parsons, Clark County's "thank you" is coming in the form of Parson Elementary School... "It's a good feeling", Parson said. "It's something that is hard not to really feel good about."

The honor is a lifting one because the Parsons have spent much of their lives in education. But describing them merely as "longtime educators" only scratches the surface of what they have done in, and for, the community.

Stella Parson entered the University of Nevada, Reno, in 1948, and four years later became the first black woman to graduate from the school. "I think it was my life's calling," she said. "I really do bellieve I was called to do the work."

Mr. Parson enrolled in the University of New York at Oswego and graduated in 1951 with a bachelor's degree in industrial arts education. Uncle Sam called during Parson's senior year in college. Parson joined the Air Force, entered basic training right after graduation and arrived at Nellis Air Force Base about two months later.

In February 1953, Claude Parson and Stella Mason were married. Among the interests they shared were a devotion to their church and a desire to teach. Mrs. Parson's first teaching job was in 1952 at Westside Elementary School. Over the next 30 years, she also taught second, third, and fourth grades at Madison, Kelly, and Tate elementary schools.

Mr. Parson began his teaching career at Madison Elementary School, where he taught seventh grade and industrial arts. From 1959 to 1969, he taught eighth-grade math and industrial arts at Martin Junio High School.

In 1969, Parson began teaching at Clark High School. But, about three months in the school year, he was appointed coordinator of the school system's desegregation program. Parson held that position for about three years before becoming principal of Kelly Elementary School and, then, the districts federal programs coordinator.

Parson's role in the system's desegregation effort is appropriate, because both he and his wife have experienced, and fought, discrimination firsthand. "It was kind of ironic, in a sense," Parson agreed. "I guessed we had a lot of on-the-job training that helped us out." Today, many people forget just how segregated Nevada was in the 1950's.

"Now," Parson said, "things have changed tremendously. The opportunites are there (for minorities). The biggest problem now - with young blacks especially - is they don't stay in school long enough; they don't develop marketable skills."

But the couple is not bitter about the discrimination they have experienced. In explaining why, their strong religious beliefs become evident. "See, if you love God, the love of God takes out bitterness and hatred," Parson said. "it's impossible to love God and hate people. One erases the other. So, you forgive and go on."

Mrs. Parson retired from teaching in January 1986, while her husband left his school district job in 1974. Today, their workdays are spent on behalf of the Vegas View Church Of God In Christ in North Las Vegas, where Parson serves as pastor.

The Parsons said they've never lived their lives with the goal of someday having a school named after them or, for that matter, receiving any sort of public recognition at all.

Rather, the couple believes people simply should live their lives with an eye toward serving their community. "If you approach life from that perspective, a lot of things will come your way," Parson said. "If you're not working for power or position, but if you're working for service to yourself, to your family, so many good things come out of that."

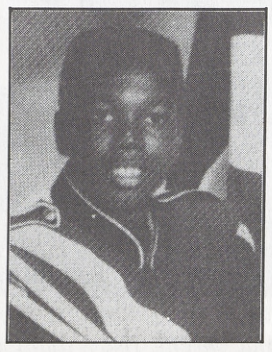
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A GREAT REVIVAL UNFOLDS AT MT. HEBRON CHURCH

Kenosha, WI - A revival conducted by Evangelist Cletus Doss of Springfield, IL, proved to be in the plan of God. The enemy tried to hinder it, by causing the evangelist to have car trouble the first night. He tried the second night, but he came forth and made his arrival with the help of the Lord. The first night of the revival, the Power of God came in...and continued throughout the week. The revival was due to end after one week, but God said go further, (Praise Him). By the end of the second week, we clearly had seen why God wanted it to continue, it was so His Spirit could complete the job. It was through this consecrated man of God, that the Lord saved forty souls, over half of those souls received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, speaking in tongues according to Acts 2:4. Two were healed of gall stones, one of diabetes and the Saints of God are still rejoicing, giving God the praise.

Greater Mt. Hebron Church under the leadership of Elder James L. Williams feels this is good news, to be shared throughout the brotherhood.

Kenneth Robinson, Jr. Wins European Tour



Kenneth Robinson, Jr. has been a talented student of the Baldwin High School Band for almost two years. Formerly of the Wilkinson County High School, he has been selected to participate in the United States Collegiate Wind Band's 1990 Concert Tour, in which brilliant concerts will be performed in a number of the world's great cultural capitals. The cities include London, Paris, Amsterdam, Munich, Salzburg, and Copenhagen. The United States Collegiate Wind Band is known throughout Europe as one of America's finest musical groups.

The United States Collegiate Wind Bands are organized for the purpose of providing outstanding percussion players an opportunity to study and perform the best in musical literature in an organization of mature, experienced performers and traveling with other young student musicians of similar expertise and backgrounds.

Kenneth is presently a member of the Georgia All-State Band Festivals held at Fort Valley State College. Because of this participation, Kenneth was extended this invitation to further his musical ability. He was also a member of the Georgia Clovers and Company. He has performed in Kentucky, Chicago, Augusta, Georgia's WMAZ-TV Search Three, the Georgia State Fair, Six Flags Over Georgia, the Radisson Hotel, and the Marriott in Atlanta. He has also performed for the television show "The Dukes of Hazard". Because of this tour, he may be eligible for college credits for his participation in this European tour.

In order to participated in this multi-cultural event, there is an expense of $2600 that must be met. Through the help of local sponsors Kenneth looks forward to this musical tour which begins on July 6 through July 26, 1990.

Kenneth is a member of the Dixon Temple COGIC, Toomsboro, GA, Superintendent Jack Stephens, pastor.

LET US PRAY
(WITH A CONTRITE HEART)

Dear Reader:

In the quietness of your solitude, read II Chronicles 7:14, "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." Also read Isaiah 59:1 & 2: "Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear." (You may read as far as you wish and listen to God speak to His people. This same God speaks to us likewise today, for we are in the same predicament.)

Leave your busy schedule for a little while. Open your heart and join the Prayer Band in praying for God's help today! Call your family together as often as you can, whether daily or weekly, and direct them to the need for godly devotions. Tell your children about God and His love. Repent for the neglect and shortcomings in your life and enter God's presence with an **honest heart**. Now, let us pray.

Oh Lord, our Master Creator, we recognize your omnipotence and magnitude of greatness. We honor your name above all names today and we seek for your mercy and help!

Everywhere, we see trouble: In the streets, in our communities, in many of our homes, and in our schools, there are confusion and strife. In the White House, there is controversy and woe; and when we look to our "Mountains of Consolation", (our churches), lo, there is trouble there! Where shall we go for help but to Thee; and to Thee we come.

God of mercy, look on our world with great compassion. It has become our world because we have made it so. The sins of men have become blacker than a thousand midnights and we face chaos! Men will not change their ways unless their hearts are changed. We pray that repentance and prayer will become permanent in the minds of men everywhere. Perform the Masterly Heart Surgery which we need among evil men, sinful men, wayfaring men, backsliding men, and men in power and authority. Open their blinded eyes and let them see their failures and turn from their wicked ways. Let there be a great awakening on the earth today.

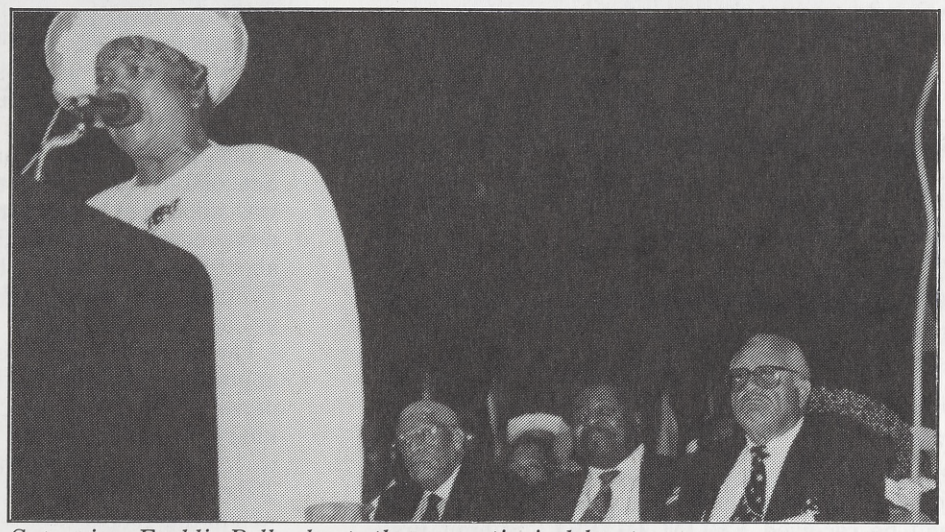
Oh God, we know that peace is found **only** in Thee; the answersto all our problems lie **only** in your hand. Stretch out your hand over this earth and send YOUR REVOLUTION OF CHANGE! We pray that you will speak to rulers everywhere and alert them that you are our source of strength, our PRESENT HELP in this time of great need. Lead them to their knees in search for the solutions to our conflicts instead of mere councils of men, which have failed time after time. Let them realize the **truth** in the Bible that your ways and your thoughts are as high above ours as the heaven is above the earth; that our wisdom and knowledge is as the ignorance of fools compared to yours. And that we **must seek** before we may find your directions; we **must ask** before we may be given; we **must knock** before the door of guidance will open to us; and unless we turn to you, you will not turn to us. Let us all realize that it is because of sin that your face is turned from us; that we need you and not you needing us. Oh MasterPhysician, without you, we perish! Turn your face again to us and heal our wounds. These favors we ask in the name of your SON, JESUS CHRIST. Amen.

Your partner in prayer,
Earlie Simmons Truitt, Houston, TX

Women Impact Cincinnati



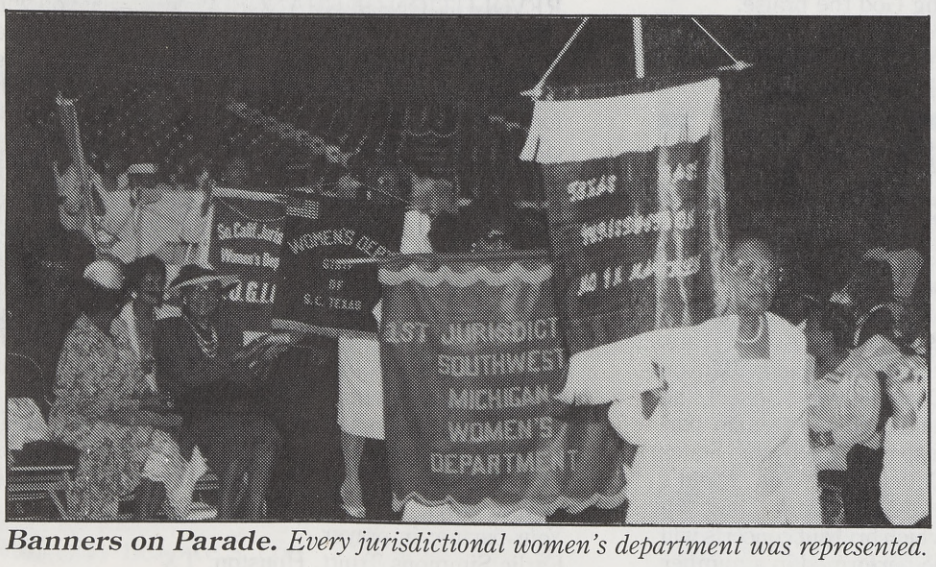
Lovely Ladies renew The Whole Truth for another year.



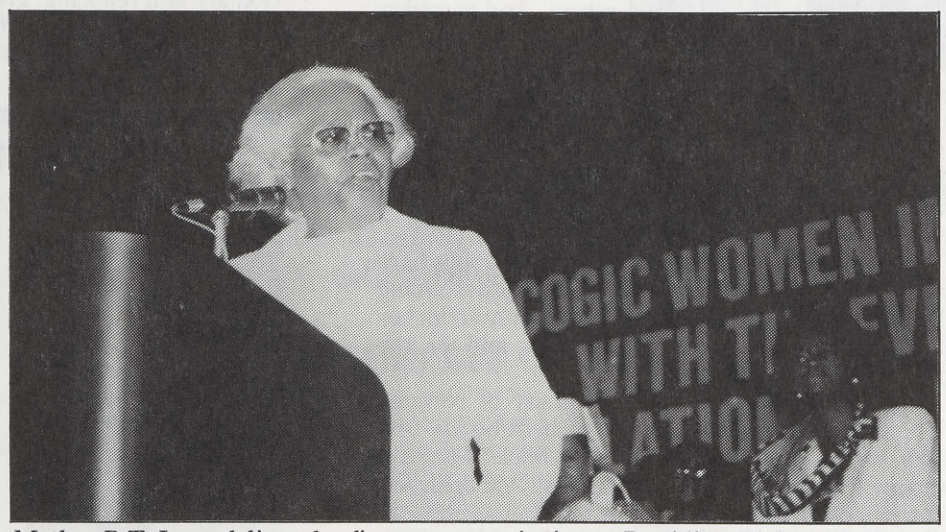
Supervisor Freddie Bell exhurts the convention's delegates.



Elder C.C. Owens presents Mother Mattie McGlothen with his Religious Workers Guild's highest award. Martaez A. Cyars



Banners on Parade. *Every jurisdictional women's department was represented.*



Mother R.T. Jones delivered a firey message. Assistant Presiding Bishops Anderson and Owens, listen along with Presiding Bishop L.H. Ford.

REOPEN . . . *Continued from Page 1*

At that same function, Elder Wheelock, Ph.D. raised the question that most people have on their lips, "Why did Saints Academy close in the first place?" Dr. Wheelock issued a status report to clarify why the school closed. Firstly, the campus became unuseful when the refectory unexpectedly burned down in May of 1983.

Secondly, the proposed consolidation of all our Church's existing educational programs into the geographical area of Memphis was strongly being considered. The proposed change frustrated any emergency strategies to rebuild the refectory or maintain the campus facilities. The college had its accreditation suspended as a result of the mounting complications.

Thirdly, even though the remaining high school program was accredited by the State of Mississippi, and the regional organization known as the Southern Association of colleges and schools, in 1981, the adoption of the aforementioned centralization plan resulted in the loss of vital faculty and staff members who did not wish to move to Memphis.

Finally, the unavoidable deterioration of the situation caused operating problems, therefore retaining administration, teachers, and employees under contract became an acute problem. To avoid possible lawsuits and various complications, it was decided the school must close.

Dr. Wheelock commented that the buildings on the campus are in moderate to excellent condition. Certainly, the past Help Week Programs instituted by the late Bishop J.O. Patterson, Sr. halted the pace of the campus' decline. The schools properties are composed of 301.3 acres. Approximately 15 acres are occupied by the main campus, 80 acres are rented out for farming purpose and 206 acres are uncultivated open land or identifiable as timberland. Furthermore, the site is a historic place and the buildings are named in honor of early COGIC pioneers.

Bishop Ford has a dream to build a J.O. and Deborah Patterson multi-purpose building. He hopes to build it in the center of campus atop a small hill. Bishop Roy L.H. Winbush, General Board member and president of the Saints Center Board, presented a resolution which pledged use of available Saints Center funds to build the building. (See Resolution on page 3.) Bishop Winbush is concerned that continuity and legacy must be a part of the future. The Saints Center Board voted to fully support the vision of our new presiding officer. The completion of the new building in which a refectory would be housed will be a major step in reopening the school.

What does a second chance school offer and what is its purpose? Dr. Walter Washington, a relative of the late Bishop F.D. Washington, and President of Alcorn State University consented to impact the joint session. He is a member and past president of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. He expressed his deep love for the Church and encourage the saints to reopen Saints Academy. Dr. Washington affirmed the second chance school is an idea whose time has come.

The following is a Preliminary State of Purpose, which is guiding the reopening of the academy:

SAINTS ACADEMY
(PRELIMINARY STATEMENT OF PURPOSE)

Saints Academy is dedicated to providing an environment and program to give those students who have been disadvantaged (socially, economically and/or spiritually) the opportunity to have a second chance to achieve self-realization. The institution perceives as its mission, the following:

1. To provide the opportunity for the repair of academic lapses and strengthen students' backgrounds in the fundamentals necessary to pursue college work successfully.
2. To repair the effects of defective parenting leading to a lack of social skills necessary for full participation in the larger society.
3. To correct inadequately developed character and reinforce moral/ethical decision-making.
4. To provide the opportunity to overcome the absence of church life and to find Christ as Redeemer.

Programmatic Trusts:

1. The program of Saints Academy is oriented toward preparing the marginal student to meet college entrance requirements. It is particularly designed for the college-bound student who comes from disadvantaged circumstances.
2. The program is geared to challenge the student who has manifestly unexplored academic potential primarily related to motivational factors.
3. The program is designed to help the student who needs special help in basic academic skills such as reading, writing, thought application and foundational computational skills.
4. The program is designed to accommodate the student who needs special attention in the form of regular counseling, tutoring and individualized instruction.

Bishop Ford, Dr. Donald Wheelock and other committed persons consider the possibility of reopening Saints Academy as evidence of God's continued leading and guiding of the Church, into ministry, ministry which meets the most difficult needs of today's society.

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of the Journal have been successful and we are very grateful and appreciative. However, we need you to continue to support this publication by providing an article(s) from you, your Jurisdiction, and/or your local churches. Therefore, we once again extend to you the opportunity to promote the progress made in your work for Christ in this Souvenir Journal. The price for the articles are as follows:

ONE PAGE $100.00
ONE-HALF (½) PAGE $55.00
ONE-FOURTH (¼) PAGE $35.00

All articles for the Journal should be typewritten and should be mailed to our office (P.O. Box 2017, Memphis, Tennessee 38101) by July 15, 1990. The number of pages you purchase is not limited; only five (5) photos per page. All photographs must be in black and white and bust pictures formally posed are preferred.

If you ned further information, please feel free to contact me at 1913 Lasley Street, Bogalusa, Louisiana 70427, or you may call me at (504) 735-5752.

Thank you once again for continuing to express the spirit of cooperation and may the Lord bless and keep you as you share in the completion of THE 1990 NATIONAL SOUVENIR JOURNAL.

Very truly yours,
Bishop Howard E. Quillen, Jr.
Editor-in-Chief

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The Northern California Scholastic Motivation Ministries Workshop was very exciting and rewarding, our young people were taught, instructed, and encouraged. The success of the Workshop surpassed our expectations. Special appreciation is extended to those UNAC-5 Scholastic Motivation Ministries' National coordinators who came to Northern California to share in this Historical event: Dr. Otis Massey, Pennsylvania; Mrs. Mary Benjamin, New York; and Elder David Winstead, Texas. Words fail to adequately express our gratitude to the Carl's Jr. Restaurant, which is located one block from the Good Samaritan Cathedral COGIC, for supplying approximately two hundred (200) free lunches to all Workshop participants and coordinators.

We are especially appreciative of the labor of love displayed by our jurisdictional coordinators and parents who assisted in this momentous event: Mrs. Vera Martin, California Evangel; Elder Samuel Eastman, California Northeast; Elder Eugene Ferrell, California First; Mrs. Betty Bluford, California North Central; Mrs. Dorothy Brown, California First; Mrs. Barbara Williams, California Northeast; Mrs. Eldora Brown, California Evangel; Mrs. Merline Lark, California Valley.

Special thanks goes out to the following task completors, who added the extra support needed to make our Workshop a truly lasting memory that lingers still: Mrs. Carolyn Galbraith, California First; Mrs. Vada Turner, California Northeast; Elder Sylvester Lyle, California First; Mrs. Patricia Grimes, California North Central; Mrs. Barbara Garrett, California Evangel; Mrs. Miera Jenkins, California First; and Mrs. Sylvia Guiton, California Evangel.

Presently, our Northern California Workshop participants are preparing for the National competitions and workshops that will be held at the United National Auxiliaries Convention in San Francisco, California, July 2 - 7, 1990. DON'T MISS UNAC '90.

OBITUARY



Booker Taliferro Henry was born in Melbourne, Alabama on May 18, 1923 to the late James Lector and Pearlie Smith Henry.

Elder Henry recognized the call of God upon his life at the young age of 18. In January of 1942, he was baptized with the Holy Ghost in Fayette, Alabama under the ministry of the late Missionary Lou Hannah Burgess, the mother of his soon to be bride. On April 12th of the same year, he was united in Holy Matrimony to Jean Bentley, who was fervently committed to him as wife and co-worker of the ministry. In the fall of 1944, he was granted his certificate of Ordination under the late Bishop Riley F. Williams, State Overseer. On the day of his ordination, he organized his first church and preached his first pastoral message. The congregation consisted of three members.

His leadership included pastorates at: Berry, Fayette, Hopson City, Selma, Sherman Heights in Ensley, Dixon Mills and Magnolia. He served at Lisman and Thomasville Churches Of God In Christ, where he remained as pastor until he heard his second call, from labor to reward.

In 1948, he began his state evangelistic work. History bears out that Elder B.T. Henry was a true evangelist, inspired todo a great work. In 1952, he began traveling nationally with his brother-in-law, Superintendent R.W. McDaniel throughout the country as the "TWIN PREACHERS". They ventured from coast to coast preaching Holiness! Many souls came to Christ as a result of this ministry.

Elder Henry's leadership embraced several posts in which he served as State and Regional Evangelist President, Executive Board Member and District Superintendent of Thomasville District. He was also a civic and community leader, who had an ardent concern for the social ills facing Humanity.

Among those who remain to cherish his memory are: a loving and devoted wife, Mrs. Jean Bentley Henry, one son, Mr. B.T. Henry (Rugenia) of Bristol, TN; four daughters, Ms. Janice Henry-McDaniel of Memphis, TN, Ms. Mary Jeanette Henry Moore, Mrs. Sharon Henry Farris (Ronald), both of Jasper, AL and Miss Christy Ren'e Henry of Thomasville, AL; seven grandchildren, Mia and Brandon Todd Henry, Stephanie, Michael, Jeanenne and Adam Moore, and Ronald "Blake" Farris; three sisters, Mrs. Floya Flemmings of Detroit, MI, Mrs. Volene Rancher (Tom) and Mrs. Hazel Willliams (Lee), both of San Francisco, CA; one loving brother-in-law, Supt. R.W. McDaniel of Jasper, AL; one loving sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary E. Dunn of Minneapolis, MN; the Thomasville and Lisman Church families; twenty nieces and nephews; and a countless number of other relatives and friends.

TEMPTATION . . . *Continued from Page 2*

look good but to disobey God means death and destruction. "And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food and it was pleasant to the eyes and a tree to be desired to make one wise she took of the fruit thereof and did eat and gave also unto her husband with her and he did eat. It was so easy for Satan to cause the Woman to disobey God. The physical shape of the serpent changed after God cursed him, but not his subtly and craftiness.

In **Genesis 6: 5-7** the writer reports, "And God saw that the wickedness of man was great . . ." I just don't believe that it was worse at that time than it is now. Oh, if we could see and believe that Satan hath deceived and blinded the eyes of man to the point that men cannot see with their eyes nor hear with their ears. Matthew 13:12 states that, "For this people's heart is waxed gross and their ears are dull of hearing and their eyes they have closed lest at any time they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears and should understand with their heart and should be converted and I should heal them." I really believe that there are many people that want to know God. We, the people of God, are the light of the World. We are the salt of the earth. The way of God is manisfested to the world through us. May God help us that we can and will help some one to come to God.

Oh that there was such a heart in us today that we would fear him and keep all of his commandments always that it might be well with us and with our children. God wants us to mean it from our hearts when we say that we will hear his word and do it. He wants us to serve him in love with all of our being, heart, soul, and mind. II Corinthians 11:2-3 states, "For I am jealous over you with godly Jealousy; for I have espoused you to one husband that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ; but I fear lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtly, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ." We can say yes to the word of God. Satan has done his job well and he has a head start on man for his future. Our only hope is in Christ for ourselves, our children and for the world. The devil is wise.He is deceiving men, women and children everywhere. We should be sober and resist Satan as Jesus did when he tried to tempt him. If we really love God and his spirit is dwelling within us we can defeat Satan, rejoicing in this, the testimony of our conscience; not with the fleshly wisdom, but in simplicity and Godly sincerity, obeying God's word and keeping his commandment. Only Satan will cause us to turn from the Truth or not believe God's Word. Hebrews 13:8 says, "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and for ever." Eve was an example of how easy it is for Satan to deceive us. Thus saith the Lord, "stand ye in the ways and see and find rest for your soul; but they said we will not walk therein."

Let us not say like they did. We were saved in the good way. We learned in the good way. There is only one way and Jesus said that it is a straight and narrow way which leadeth to life and few there be that find it. His word must be fulfilled. He gave himself a ransom for all. He will have all men to be saved and to come unto the knowledge of the truth.

Our pioneers from our early church labored and suffered intensely to help establish christianity in America and the world. Let us continue regarding every part of our life as holy, in order for us, as members of the Church Of God In Christ, to continue our effective witness in Holiness. Let us be examples to believers and the world in all things, keeping our identity, fulfilling the holy mission of the Church Of God In Christ in righteousness, realness, and true holiness.
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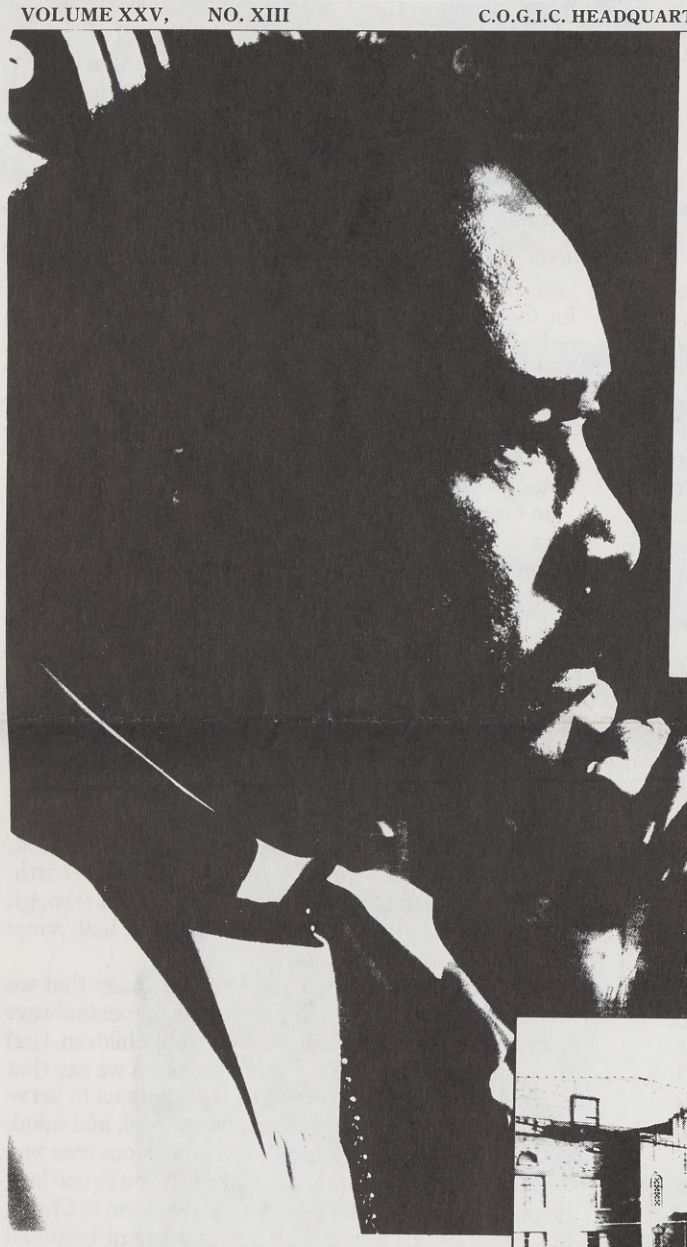
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NATIONAL FUNERAL OBSERVED

The National/International Memorial Service for the Most Reverend James Ogelthorpe Patterson, Sr., was conducted, Thursday, January 4, 1990 at Mason Temple Church Of God In Christ. The officiants were Bishop Louis Henry Ford, Bishop Chandler David Owens, Bishop John Dale Husband, Bishop Cleveland Landis Anderson, Bishop Ozro Thurston Jones, Jr., Bishop Phillip Aquilla Brooks, Bishop Samuel L. Green, Jr., Bishop J. Neaul Haynes, Bishop Charles Edward Blake, Bishop Levi E. Willis, Sr. and Bishop Roy Lawrence Haley Winbush. Tributes and resolutions were presented by numerous church department heads and officials. While dignitaries and religious leaders from the world over sat prayerfully, the Church Of God In Christ said goodbye to a leader unparalleled.

Bishop Samuel L. Green, Jr. opened the services to a softly played organ prelude and songs from the mass choir. Dr. Mattie Clark had the music splendidly prepared. A magnificent processional came into Mason Temple and the funeral began. The silence had a calming affect as the acolytes lighted the candle stands. Behind them came the Adjutant General, General Board of Bishops, General Officers, Board of Bishops and a host of denominational leaders. The family, led by Bishop J.O. Patterson, Jr. and Mrs. Mary Patterson, widow of the Presiding Bishop lifted their heads and were pictures of strength. A host of tearful family and friends filed in. After the family and others had reviewed the remains, the bier was sealed, and a ceremonial cloth draped over the casket. Everything was done with simplicity and beautifully staged as service befitting the Chief Apostle.

Bishop H. Jenkins Bell, Chief Adjutant led the Hymn of Comfort. The invocation was given with a deeply spiritual and healing touch by Bishop John D. Husband. The Old Testament scripture was read by Bishop Ozro Thurston Jones, Jr. He read Psalm 90 and the New Testament scripture was offered by Bishop Charles E. Blake. He presented a passage in I Corinthians 15:50-58, which was very appropriate. Bishop Phillip Aquilla Brooks led the congregation in the Statement of Faith. The program was long but Bishop C.D. Owens moved the agenda along smoothly and with deliberate speed.

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An overflow crowd of upward to 7-8,000 attended the memorial service.

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